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| In re the application of   | ) | Examiner: C. Bennett          |
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Dear Sir:

Applicants acknowledge the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due dated December 22, 1997. Applicants have enclosed formal drawing figures as requested by the Examiner. Please substitute these drawings for those originally filed in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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